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THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED 1886.
CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED Yen 24,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP 18,000,000
CAPITAL UNPAID-UP 6,000,000
RESERVE FUND 9,000,000

Head Office: YOKOHAMA.

Branches and Agencies:
TOKIO. KOBE.
NAGASAKI. LONDON.
LYONS. NEW YORK.
SAN FRANCISCO. HONOLULU.
HONGKONG. SHANGHAI.
TIENTSIN. NEWCHANG.
PEKING.

LONDON BANKERS:
THE LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LD.
PARIS BANK, LD.
THE UNION OF LONDON AND
SMITHS BANK, LD.

HONGKONG BRANCH: INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent.
per Annum on the Daily Balance.

On fixed deposits for 12 months at 5 per cent.
" 6 " 4 " "
" 3 " 3 " "

TARO HOSUMI,
Manager.

Hongkong, 17th March, 1903. [10]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND \$16,000,000
Sterling Reserve \$16,000,000
Silver Reserve \$16,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS \$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:
A. J. RAYMOND, Esq., Chairman.
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E. SHILLIN, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER:
Hongkong: J. R. M. SMITH.

Shanghai: H. M. BEVIS.

LONDON BANKERS: LONDON AND COUNTY BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG BRANCH: INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent.
per Annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 6 months, 3 1/2 per cent. per Annum.
For 9 months, 4 per cent. per Annum.
For 12 months, 4 1/2 per cent. per Annum.

J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 17th August, 1903. [13]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted
by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be
obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3 1/2 PER
CENT. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option
balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND
SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED
DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1902. [14]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorized Capital \$1,000,000
Paid up Capital 324,374

HEAD OFFICE: HONGKONG.

Board of Directors:
Chan Kit Shan, Esq. J. Scott Harston, Esq.
Chow Tung Shing, Esq. J. Lauts, Esq.

Chief Manager:
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed 5 %
Hongkong, 12th May, 1903. [15]

THE DEUTSCH ASIATISCHE BANK.

PAID-UP CAPITAL Sh. Tael 5,000,000

HEAD OFFICE: SHANGHAI.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: BERLIN.

BRANCHES: Calcutta. Hankow.
Tientsin. Tsingtau (Kiautschow).

LONDON BANKERS:
Messrs. N. M. ROTHSCHILD & SONS,
UNION OF LONDON AND SMITHS BANK, LTD.

DEUTSCHE BANK (BERLIN), LONDON AGENCY
DIRECTION DER DISCONTO GESELLSCHAFT.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account.
DEPOSITS received on terms which may be
learned on application. Every description of
Banking and Exchange business transacted.

H. FIGGE,
Manager.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1903. [151c]

GUARANTY TRUST COMPANY OF NEW YORK (AMERICAN BANK).

ESTABLISHED 1864.

PAID UP CAPITAL U.S. Gold \$2,000,000
SURPLUS AND UNDIVIDED PROFITS \$5,180,000

Gold \$7,180,000

Head Office: NEW YORK.

LONDON OFFICE:
33 and 35, Lombard Street, E.C.

F. C. Bishop, Manager, Eastern Department.

LONDON BANKERS:
PARR'S BANK, LIMITED.

HONGKONG OFFICE:
4, DES VŒUX ROAD.

General Banking and Exchange business
transacted.

INTEREST ALLOWED
On Current Accounts at 2 per cent. per annum.

On Fixed Deposits:
For 3 months 2 1/2 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 3 1/2 " "
" 12 " 4 " "

E. F. GROS,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1902. [698d]

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

HEAD OFFICE: NEW YORK.

FISCAL AGENTS FOR THE UNITED STATES
OF AMERICA IN CHINA AND THE
PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Capital paid in, ... Gold \$4,000,000 ... 820,000
Surplus (Reserve) Gold \$4,000,000 ... 820,000

Total Gold \$8,000,000 ... 1,640,000

Capital and Surplus authorized, Gold \$10,000,000
= \$2,055,000.

LONDON BANKERS:
THE NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF
ENGLAND, LIMITED.

THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S
BANK, LIMITED.

The Corporation buys and sells Bills of
Exchange; issue Letters of Credit and carries
on every description of Banking and Exchange
business. Money received on Current Deposit
Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum
on the daily balances, and on Fixed Deposit
as follows:

For 12 months, 4 1/2 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 " "
" 3 " 3 1/2 " "

HONGKONG BRANCH:
20, DES VŒUX ROAD CENTRAL.

CHARLES R. SCOTT,
Manager.

Hongkong, 26th May, 1903. [100c]

IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.

ESTABLISHED BY IMPERIAL DECREE
OF THE 12TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Shanghai Tael.
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL 5,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL 2,500,000

Head Office: SHANGHAI.

Branches and Agencies:
CANTON. PENANG.
CHEFOO. SINGAPORE.
HANKOW. TIENTSIN.
PEKING.

THE Bank purchases and receives for collection
Bills of Exchange drawn on the above
places, and Sells Drafts and Telegraphic Trans-
fers Payable at its Branches and Agencies.

HONGKONG BRANCH.
Advances made on approved securities.
Bills discounted.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.
3 1/2 per Annum Fixed Deposits for 3 months.
4 " " " 6 " "
5 " " " 12 " "

E. W. RUTTER,
Manager.

Hongkong, 12th August, 1903. [12]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.

HEAD OFFICE: LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP £800,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-
HOLDERS £800,000

RESERVE FUND £715,000

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT
ACCOUNT at the Rate of 2 per cent. per
annum on the Daily Balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months, 4 per cent.
" 6 " 3 " "
" 3 " 2 " "

T. P. COCHRANE,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 18th May, 1903. [11]

Mail.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR STEAMERS TO SAIL ON REMARKS.

SHANGHAI { C. ROMANDEL } About 25th } Freight and
G. M. Montford } September } Passage.

LONDON, &c. { BALLAKAT } Noon, 26th } See Special
F. R. Summers } September } Advertisement.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKO-
HAMA { MALTA } About 9th } Freight and
(Passing through the Inland Sea } C. L. W. Field } October } Passage.

For Further Particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 18th September, 1903. [4]

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE. NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA,
ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG.

PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS;
ALSO
LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON,
AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS;

Steamers will call at GIBRALTAR and SOUTHAMPTON to land Passengers
and Luggage.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the Principal Places in Russia.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

STEAMERS. SAILING DATES.

ZIETEN WEDNESDAY, 30th September.

SEYDLITZ WEDNESDAY, 14th October.

ROON WEDNESDAY, 28th October.

PREUSSEN WEDNESDAY, 11th November.

HAMBURG WEDNESDAY, 25th November.

PRINZ HEINRICH WEDNESDAY, 9th December.

KONIG ALBERT WEDNESDAY, 23rd December.

KAUTSCHOU WEDNESDAY, 6th January, 1904.

SACHSEN WEDNESDAY, 20th January, 1904.

BAYERN WEDNESDAY, 3rd February, 1904.

SEYDLITZ WEDNESDAY, 17th February, 1904.

PREUSSEN WEDNESDAY, 3rd March, 1904.

ROON WEDNESDAY, 20th March, 1904.

HAMBURG WEDNESDAY, 6th April, 1904.

PRINZ HEINRICH WEDNESDAY, 20th April, 1904.

* Steamers of the Hamburg-Amerika Linie.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 30th day of September, 1903, at Noon, the Steamship "ZIETEN,"
of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, Captain B. Wilhelm, with MAILED PASSEN-
GERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, Calling at NAPLES and
GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON, on MONDAY, the 28th instant, Cargo and
Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M., on TUESDAY, the 29th instant, and Parcels
will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON, on TUESDAY, the 29th instant.

Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50
and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardsesses.
Linen can be washed on board.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & CO.,
AGENTS. [563c]

Hongkong, 19th September, 1903.

Intimations.

TAILORING DEPARTMENT.

SPECIAL OFFER for ONE MONTH only of

our Surplus Stock of Suitings at the

following Exceptional Prices.

FLANNEL LOUNGE SUITS - - - - - \$20-\$25

TWEED AND CASHMERE SUITS - \$30 -

BLUE SERGE SAC SUITS - - - - - \$40-\$45

WORSTED AND ANGOLA SUITS - - \$40-\$45

BLACK TWILL DRESS SUITS - - - \$55 -

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, 18th September, 1903. [732c]

THOMAS' HOTEL.

A FIRST CLASS HOTEL, comfortably furnished, and most centrally situated, being in
close proximity to the Banks and principal business places.

SPECIALLY REDUCED SUMMER RATES.

For Particulars apply to
THE MANAGER.

MACAO HOTEL

(Late HING KEE HOTEL).

This FAVOURITE and LONG ESTABLISHED Hotel is situated on the SEA-FRONT
commanding a MAGNIFICENT VIEW of the Harbour and adjacent islands, and is open to
the COOL SOUTHERLY BREEZES in Summer.

The BED-ROOMS are LARGE, COOL, AIRY, WELL-VENTILATED and HAND-
SOMELY FURNISHED. The CUISINE is EXCELLENT and under direct EUROPEAN
supervision.

PIC-NIC, SHOOTING or BOATING parties specially catered for. A commodious and
comfortable stern-wheel HOUSE-BOAT, with sleeping accommodation for six passengers and
EVERY CONVENIENCE, is provided for the use of visitors AT REASONABLE RATES.

A MILITARY BAND PLAYS in the Gardens close to the Hotel, three times a week.

SEA BATHING.

STEAMERS to and from Macao, every MORNING and AFTERNOON.

Wm. FARMER,
Proprietor and Manager.

Intimations.

"I hear they want more



Bovril
is the best
beverage;

because it not only
stimulates, but tones-
up and builds-up body
and brain.

Added
to gravies, hashes,
stews, etc., BOVRIL
makes them immense-
ly stronger, richer, and
more palatable and
nourishing.

JAPAN COALS.

THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA (MITSUI & Co.)

HEAD OFFICE: 1, SURUGA-CHO, TOKYO.
LONDON BRANCH: 34, LIME STREET, E.C.
HONGKONG BRANCH: PRINCE'S BUILDINGS, ICE HOUSE STREET.

OTHER OFFICES:

New York, San Francisco, Hamburg, Bombay, Singapore, Sourabaya, Manila, Amoy,
Shanghai, Chefoo, Tientsin, Newchwang, Port Arthur, Seoul, Chemulpo, Yokohama,
Yokosuka, Nagoya, Osaka, Kobe, Maidzura, Kure, Shimonoseki, Moji, Wakamatsu,
Karatsu, Nagasaki, Kuohinotzu, Sasebo, Miike, Hakodate, Taipei, &c.

Telegraphic Address: "MITSUI" (A.B.C. and A.I. Codes).

CONTRACTORS OF COAL to the Imperial Japanese Navy and Armaments and the
Railways, Principal Railway Companies and Industrial Works; Home and Foreign Mail
Freight Steamers.

SOLE PROPRIETORS of the Famous Miike, Tagawa, Yamanashi and Ida Coal Mine
SOLE AGENTS for Fujinotani, Hokoku, Hondo, Ichimura, Kanada, Mameda, Mar-
Onoura, Otsuji, Sasahara, Tsubakuro, Yoshinotani, Yoshio, Yonokibara and other Coal
N. INUZUKA, Manager, Hon-
[563c]

H. PRICE & CO. WINE MERCHANTS, 12 QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Picnic parties furnished with wines, etc.,
a moment's notice.

Contracts made on special terms with
Caterers, Committees, Messes and Captains of
Steamers. All Wines, Spirits and Beers supplied
are guaranteed.

Price list on application. TELEPHONE No. 135.

Hongkong, 23rd July, 1903. [952c]

COOLALTA WINES.

FROM THE CELEBRATED COOLALTA VINEYARDS,
NEW SOUTH WALES.

These excellent Wines are strongly recommended
to Invalids.

Telephone No. 75. BURGUNDY, Extra quality.
CLARET, Full body, excellent flavor.

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.,
SOLE AGENTS.

Hongkong, 28th August, 1903. [122]

OCCIDENTAL HOTEL

(ELGIN ROAD, KOWLOON.)

CODE ADDRESS: "YOSEMITE."

35 BEDROOMS EXCELLENTLY FURNISHED. BATH TO EACH ROOM.
DINING ROOM AND CUISINE UNDER STRICT SUPERVISION.

EUROPEAN AND AMERICAN WINES, SPIRITS AND BEERS.

POOL AND BILLIARDS.

ENGLISH, AMERICAN, AND MANILA NEWSPAPERS IN FILE.

TERMS.—\$4.00 to \$7.00 per day. \$75 to \$120 per month.

JAS. D. M. CAMERON,
Manager.

Hongkong, 22nd August, 1903. [555c]

MARLBOROUGH HOUSE

31, 32, 40 and 41, NORTH SOOCHOW ROAD—SHANGHAI.

PLEASANT AND CENTRAL SITUATION, FACING SOUTH.

THIS HIGH-CLASS BOARDING ESTABLISHMENT has Well-furnished Rooms by
the Day or Month.

Telegraphic Address: "MARLBOROUGH." Telephone: No. 580.
Shanghai, 6th June, 1903. Mrs. NAZER. [674c]

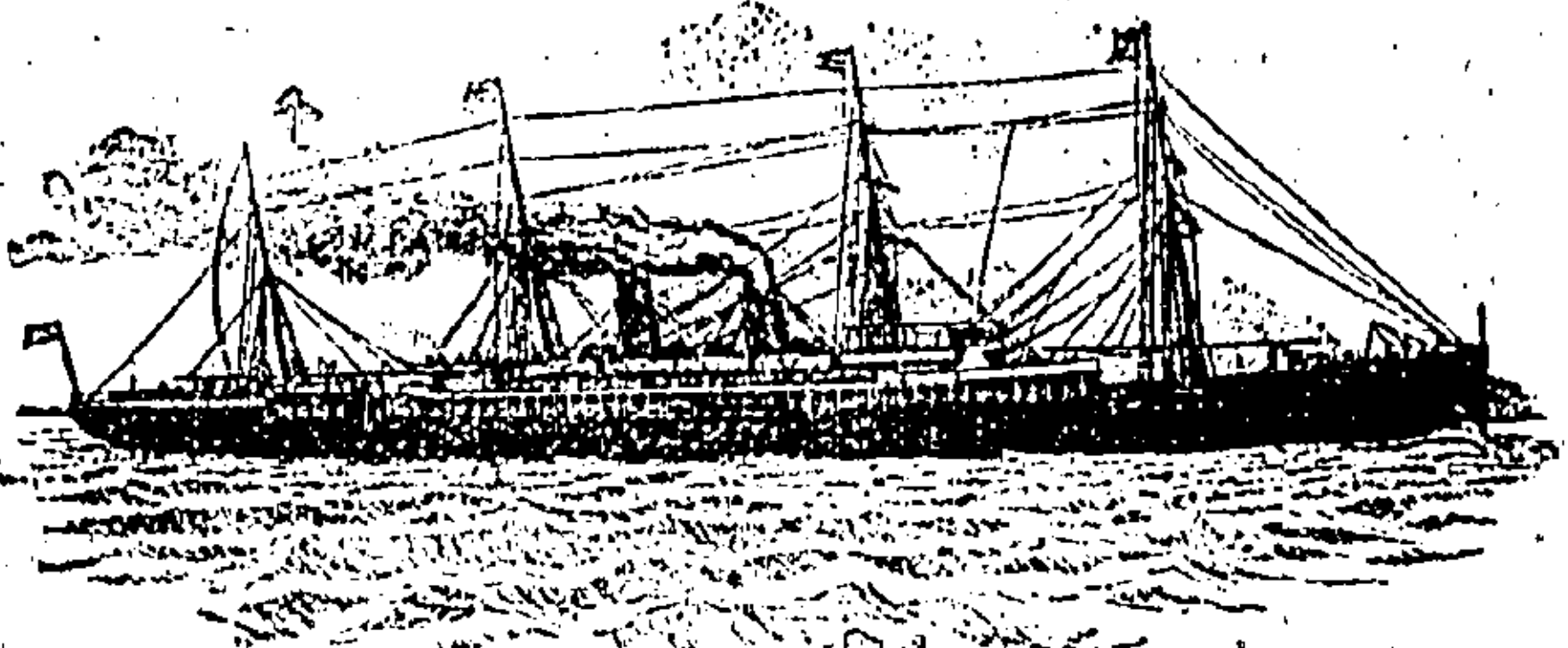
HONGKONG HOTEL.

Military Band during dinner on Saturday Nights.

Hongkong, 1st November, 1900.

Mails.

U.S. MAIL LINES.



PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO., OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S.S. CO., TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA AND EUROPE.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

"COPTIC"	SATURDAY, 26th September, at Noon.
"AMERICA MARU"	TUESDAY, 3rd October, at Noon.
"KOREA"	TUESDAY, 13th October, at Noon.
"GAELE"	TUESDAY, 20th October, at Noon.
"HONGKONG MARU"	WEDNESDAY, 28th October, at Noon.
"CHINA"	FRIDAY, 6th November, at Noon.
"DUNLOP"	SATURDAY, 14th November, at Noon.
"NIPPON MARU"	TUESDAY, 24th November, at Noon.
"SIBERIA"	WEDNESDAY, 2nd December, at Noon.

Record Trip Yokohama to San Francisco made by s.s. "KOREA," 12,000 tons, Oct. 18th-28th, 1902; 10 days, 15 hours.

THE O. & O. Company's Steamship "COPTIC" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 26th instant, at Noon, taking Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States and Canada.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of the Overland Rail Routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding Orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have between SAN FRANCISCO and CHICAGO, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Special rates (First-class only) to European Ports, are granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Consular Services, and European Civil Service Officials located in Asia, and to European Officials in the Service of the Governments of China and Japan.

TO UNITED STATES AND CANADIAN PORTS, Special rates (first class only) are confined and will apply only to Missionaries, Members of the Naval and Military Services, and to Consular and Diplomatic Officials of the Governments of China and Japan.

Return Passage.—Reduction will be made to passengers who do not hold return tickets, making the return journey between ports in the Orient and Honolulu or beyond, within twelve months.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Companies' and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular invoices to accompany each shipment of Cargo or parcel (valued at \$100. Gold or over) destined to Ports, beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Companies' Office addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

Merchants' Invoice will be sufficient for cargo or parcel (each shipment) when the value is less than \$100. U.S. Gold.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Companies, Queen's Building.

J. STUART THOMSON, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 16th September, 1903.

CANADIAN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP LINE.

SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

SAILING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA & VICTORIA, B.C.

EXPRESS Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 Knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.—(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

"EMPERESS OF JAPAN"	6,000 Tons.	WEDNESDAY, 23rd September.
"TARTAR"	4,425 "	WEDNESDAY, 7th October.
"EMPERESS OF CHINA"	6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 21st October.
"ATHENIAN"	3,882 "	WEDNESDAY, 4th November.
"EMPERESS OF INDIA"	6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 18th November.
"EMPERESS OF JAPAN"	6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 16th December.
"EMPERESS OF CHINA"	6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 13th January, 1904.
"ATHENIAN"	3,882 "	WEDNESDAY, 27th January.
"EMPERESS OF INDIA"	6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 10th February.
"TARTAR"	4,425 "	WEDNESDAY, 24th February.
"EMPERESS OF JAPAN"	6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 9th March.
"EMPERESS OF CHINA"	6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 30th March.
"EMPERESS OF INDIA"	6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 20th April.
"ATHENIAN"	3,882 "	WEDNESDAY, 4th May.
"EMPERESS OF JAPAN"	6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 18th May.

THE magnificent "EMPERESS" Twin-screw Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, ("TARTAR" and "ATHENIAN" 14 DAYS), saving THREE DAYS TO A WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey, and make connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL OVERLAND TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates, Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months.

SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

The attractive features of the Company's route embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS, (second to none in the World), the LUXURIANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at Chicago World's Exhibition), and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

THE DINING CARS AND MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unexcelled.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to D. E. BROWN, General Agent, Pedder's Street.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE. NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

OBERSTÄDTISCHER FRACHTDAMPFER DIENST.

(Taking Cargo at through Rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, COPENHAGEN, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRIESTE, GENOA, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA and BALTIC PORTS; NORTH and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STREAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
ANDALUSIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	23rd Sept. Freight.
von Döhren	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).	
ABESSINIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	6th October. Freight.
Filler	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).	
BRISGAVIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	20th October. Freight.
Schiller	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).	
SAXONIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	3rd Nov. Freight.
Brehmer	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).	

For further Particulars, apply to

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, HONGKONG OFFICE, No. 1, Queen's Buildings.

Hongkong, 9th September, 1903.

Shipping—Steamers.

HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO AND WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

S.S. "HONAM"	2,363 tons.	Captain H. D. Jones.
"POWAN"	2,338 "	G. F. Morrison, R.N.R.
"FATSILIN"	2,360 "	A. W. Dixon.
"HANKOW"	3,073 "	C. V. Hall.
"KINSILAN"	2,860 "	J. J. Landon.

Departures from HONGKONG to CANTON daily at about 7 A.M. and to A.M. (Sunday excepted) and at about 6 P.M. (Saturday excepted).

Departures from CANTON to HONGKONG daily (Sunday excepted) at about 8 A.M., 2 P.M. and 5.30 P.M.

These Steamers, carrying His Majesty's Mails, are the largest and fastest on the River. Special attention is drawn to their Superior Saloon and Cabin accommodation.

SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD. HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "HEUNG-SHAN"	1,998 tons.	Captain W. E. Clarke.
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Departures from Hongkong to Macao daily at about 1 P.M. as per special Schedule. } Sunday excepted.

Do. from Macao to Hongkong daily at about 7.30 A.M.

CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "LUNGSHAN"	2,19 tons.	Captain T. Hamlin.
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This steamer leaves Canton for Macao every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at about 7.30 A.M.; and leaves Macao for Canton every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 7.30 A.M.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE H.K., C. AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD., AND THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

CANTON-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "NANNING"	563 tons.	Captain R. D. Thomas.
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One of the above steamers leaves Canton for Wuchow every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 8 A.M., and the other leaves Wuchow for Canton on the same days at about 8 A.M. Round trips take about 5 days. These vessels have Superior Cabin accommodation and are lighted throughout by electricity.

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., 18, Bank Buildings, Queen's Road Central, opposite the Hongkong Hotel.

Or of BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents, CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD

Hongkong, 4th August, 1903.

Intimations.

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AMATEUR WORK GIVEN SPECIAL ATTENTION.

FULL LINE OF SUPPLIES ALWAYS IN STOCK.

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THE JAPAN BREWERY COMPANY'S "KIRIN" LAGER BEER.

Unsurpassed for its Purity and refreshing qualities.

No better Beer can be obtained in the East for the price at which "KIRIN" is sold.

THE MUTUAL STORES,

Sole Agents,

Hongkong and Canton.

Hongkong, 9th September, 1903.

HOTEL CRAIGIEBURN,

PLUNKET'S GAP, the PEAK, near the TRAM TERMINUS, Tel. 56.

For Terms, &c., apply to the

MANAGER.

Hongkong, 2nd July, 1900.

THE CONNAUGHT HOUSE, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

A FIRST CLASS HOTEL SITUATED NEAR THE BANKS AND PRINCIPAL OFFICES. EXCELLENT CUISINE AND WINES.

Large and lofty Rooms Elegantly Furnished. Hydraulic Elevator.

Hot and Cold Water throughout. Special Rates for Tourists.

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For Terms, apply to

Hongkong, 1st November, 1902.

THE MANAGER.

INCANDESCENT GAS LIGHT.

The attention of consumers is drawn to the fact that the Undersigned, being Sole Agents for

DR. AUER VON WELSBACH Co., VIENNA,

THE INVENTORS OF INCANDESCENT GAS LIGHT.

ARE SELLING THE ONLY GENUINE MANTLES, The Price of which has been reduced to FIFTY CENTS per piece.

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Intimations.

THE YOKOHAMA DOCK CO., LTD.

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Length inside, 514 ft. Width of entrance, top 95 ft.; bottom 75 ft. Water on blocks, 27.5 ft. Time to pump out, 4 hours.

No. 2 DOCK.

Length inside, 375 ft. Width of entrance, top 60.5 ft.; bottom 45.8 ft. Water on blocks, 26.5 ft. Time to pump out, 2 hours.

THESE DOCKS are conveniently situated in Yokohama harbour and the attention of Captains and Engineers is respectfully called to the advantages offered for Docking and repairing Vessels and Machinery of every description.

The plant and tools are of recent patterns for dealing quickly and cheaply with work, and a large stock of material is always at hand, (plates and angles all being tested by Lloyd's surveyors).

Two powerful Twin Screw Towboats are available for taking Vessels in or out of Dock, and for taking Sailing Vessels in or out of the bay. The floating derrick is capable of lifting 35 tons.

Steam Launches of Steel or Wood, Lighters, Steel Buildings and Roofs, Bridge Work, and all kinds of Machinery are made on the premises.

Tenders will be made up when required and the workmanship and material will be guaranteed.

Any cost of Docking, and repair work, will be found to compare favourably with that of any port in the world.

Telephone: Works, No. 506; General, No. 376.

Telegrams, "Dock, Yokohama," Codes A. I. and A. B. C. (4th).

Yokohama, May 11th, 1903.

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GO TO THE

KOWLOON HOTEL,

FRANK F. JEWELL, Manager. J. W. OSBORNE, Proprietor.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that AN EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LIMITED, will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, Nos. 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 31st day of October, 1903, at NOON, when the SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS will be proposed, viz:—

1. That the Capital of the Company be increased from \$1,000,000 (divided into 100,000 shares of \$10 each) to \$1,500,000 (divided into 150,000 shares of \$10 each) by the creation of 50,000 new shares of \$10 each to be offered and if accepted to be allotted to the present shareholders of the Company at par in the ratio and proportion of one new share for every two old shares in the Company held by the respective shareholders thereof, the amount payable on each of such new shares respectively to be paid at such time or times and in such manner as the Company by its General Managers may hereafter determine.

2. That Article No. 82 of the Articles of Association of the Company be cancelled and the following Article substituted therefor:—

"The remuneration of the General Managers shall be \$4,000 per annum (which shall cover office rent but not salaries of Secretary and other employees) and a commission of 5 per cent. of the net profits of the Company for each year that such profits amount to 7 per cent. of the Capital of the Company."

Should the above Resolutions be duly passed they will be submitted for confirmation as SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS to a SECOND EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING which will be subsequently convened.

Dated this 24th day of July, 1903.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.

ON and after the 9th September, the S.S. "WING CHAI" will berth at the S.S. Wharf at the WESTERN END OF WING LOK STREET.

WING ON & CO., 2nd Floor, 16, Victoria Street.

Hongkong, 7th September, 1903. [C92E]

NOTICE.

THE HEAD AGENCY of the above Company has been OPENED at No. 3, DUDELL STREET.

R. BISSCHOP, General Agent.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1903. [10C8E]

MADAM FLINT & CO.

IMPORTERS OF FRENCH MILLINERY AND DRESSMAKING.

MATERIAL ACCEPTED AND DESIGNED during the Summer Months.

PRICES MODERATE.

CONNAUGHT HOTEL: Rooms 4 and 5.

Hongkong, 31st August, 1903. [1062E]

F. BLACKHEAD & CO., SHIP-CHANDLERS, SAILMAKERS, COAL AND PROVISION MERCHANTS, NAVAL CONTRACTORS AND GENERAL COMMISSION AGENTS.

PRAYA CENTRAL HONGKONG SOAP MANUFACTURERS.

SOLE AGENTS FOR HARTMANN'S RAHTJEN'S GENUINE COMPOSITION RED HAND BRAND, HARTMANN'S GRAY PAINT, DAIMLER'S PATENT MOTOR LAUNCHES, &c.

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EVERY KIND OF SHIPS STORES AND REQUISITS ALWAYS IN STOCK.

AT REASONABLE PRICES.

Hongkong, 14th May, 1904. [1C]

TUBORG BEER.

A FIRST CLASS PILSENER BEER guaranteed free from Silicic Acid, and any other Chemicals.

PRICE \$10.50 per case of 48 bottles (quarts) or 6 doz. pints.

Special Prices for Quantities.

Sole Agents—SIEMSEN & CO.

Hongkong, 10th January, 1903. [595D]

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

PORTLAND CEMENT.

In Casks of 37½ lbs. net \$4.75 ex Factory.

In Bags of 25 lbs. net \$2.85 ex Factory.

SHAW, TOMES & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 15th August, 1903. [19]

"TRUTH" AND THE CHINESE POST OFFICE.

As though the eccentricities of the mandarins of St. Martin's-le-Grand were not sufficient to occupy the attention of an English journal, I have been asked to ventilate a grievance against the Chinese Post Office, says Labouchere in a recent number of *Truth*. It relates to the exorbitant surcharge levied on letters posted from England to Shanghai with a penny stamp and then redirected to any of the outposts. The ordinary prepaid postage from Shanghai to Chinkiang, for instance, is only one cent, while if a letter is sent from the former place to the latter minus any stamp whatever, two cents are collected on its delivery. But if the addressee of a letter from this country to Shanghai happens to be at Chinkiang, and it is re-directed to him there, the Chinese Post Office treats the fact that the envelope bears a penny English stamp (the correct postage to Shanghai) as an excuse for levying a tax of 16 cents for its delivery. The practice is as absurd as it is unjust, and Sir Robert Hart could surely procure its abolition.

NEW PAPER FOR SINGAPORE.

An addition to the local press of Singapore may be expected in the not too distant future, says the *Straits Times*. For many years it has been the ambition of certain enlightened and influential Chinese residents to possess a daily newspaper here, an organ, as it were, through which to voice their own special interests as well as those of the general public. A number of these affluent gentlemen, among whom, we understand, are a well-known Member of the Legislative Council and a Municipal Councillor of some years' standing, are interested in the scheme; and the venture would even now be under way, were it not that a very big towkay from the Native States did not see his way to joining in the work of promoting the enterprise as was expected a short while ago. Matters, however, are maturing, and it is even mooted that the European executive staff of the *Straits Echo*—the paper recently floated on Chinese capital and with influential Chinese backing at Penang—may assist in its creation and development. No title for the new publication has yet been decided upon, but that is a mere matter of detail. Yokohama with a population of less than 3,000 Europeans, and only about 2,000 Chinese, contrives to support five English dailies—including the *Japan Times* that is printed twenty miles away in Tokyo—not to mention a couple of English weeklies. Singapore with over 5,000 Europeans and a double of hundred thousand Chinese, ought certainly to be able to support one Anglo-Chinese daily at the very least.

Auction.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 21st day of September, 1903, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND, at Tung-Lu-Wan, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a CROWN RENT to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in Square Feet.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
Inland Lot No. 109.	Tung-Lu-Wan.	20 ft. x 20 ft. x 20 ft. x 20 ft.	1,600	£ 50	£ 50

Hongkong, 14th September, 1903. [11152]

Entertainments.

THEATRE ROYAL.

Sole Lessee.....CHARLES A. POLLARD.
RETURN VISIT.
RETURN VISIT.

FOR ONE WEEK ONLY.
THE POLLARD ENGLISH COMEDY COMPANY
INCLUDING
THE EVER POPULAR COMEDIAN
EDWARD NABLE,
COMMENCING
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21st.
When will be presented
The Brilliant and Irresistibly Funny
Farce-Comedy

"A GAY NIGHT IN PARIS,"
"A GAY NIGHT IN PARIS,"
(Oh! What a Night!).
FOR TWO NIGHTS ONLY.

All Productions under the Personal Supervision of
MR. EDWARD NABLE.
PRICES: 5s, 3s and 1s.
PEAN at ROBINSON PIANO CO'S.
ALEC. MIDDLETON,
Manager.
Hongkong, 17th September, 1903. [11266]

LEVY HERMANOS.

Diamond Merchants, Jewelers and Watchmakers.
KODAKS and FILMS.
Sole Agents for "OMEGA" WATCHES.
"OMEGA" is the best "THREE YEARS" guaranteed given to every purchaser.
QUEEN'S ROAD.
Wing's Building.

Intimations.

THE ROBINSON PIANO Co., Ltd.

NOTE ENTIRELY NEW STOCK

to arrive this month. Specially and most carefully chosen, direct FROM THE FACTORIES BY OUR MR. ROBINSON NOW IN EUROPE.

GREAT REDUCTIONS

in our present stock of Pianos and Musical Goods.
A quantity of old music still left, being sold very cheap. Call in and see what we have. All enquiries will be most courteously and promptly answered.

THE APOLLO PIANO PLAYER

RECITALS DAILY
Price from \$450 up.

PATTI ENDORSES THE APOLLO.

Adelina Patti (Baroness Cederstrom) has given another great testimonial to the Apollo piano-player. She was so delighted with the instrument that was purchased by her last year that this second testimonial is even stronger than the first one that she gave.
Mme. Patti says that the Apollo never has given her the slightest trouble, and that the new concert grand is one of the most wonderful and perfect piano-players that she has ever seen.

Hongkong, 2nd September, 1903. [11151]

THE HONGKONG STUDIO.

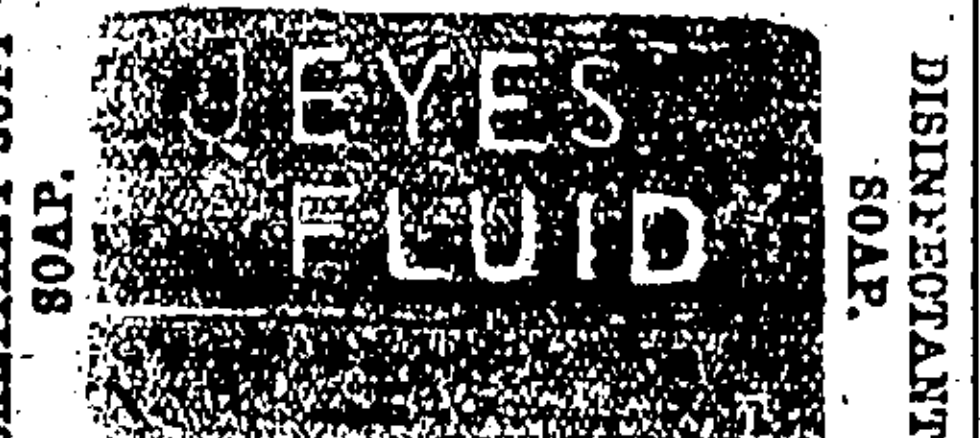
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PORTRAITS, GROUPS, AND ENLARGING AND COPYING in all sizes.
LARGE SELECTION OF VIEWS ALWAYS ON HAND.

PRICE VERY MODERATE.
Hongkong, 15th September, 1903. [11207]

NOTICE.

THE BEST PREVENTIVE OF ALL INFECTIOUS DISEASES.



AVOID ALL RISK OF OUTBREAK BY ITS USE.
W. G. HUMPHREYS & Co.,
Bank Buildings.

Hongkong, 9th September, 1903. [17776]

ASPARAGUS!

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SWEET INDIAN CORN!!!

FRESH HENRY IN COMBS!!!

75 cents per lb.

ALL these can be had fresh every day. Please call at

CHING SHAN CHAN,
No. 41, Central Market.

Hongkong, 9th September, 1903. [17776]

A CURE FOR ASTHMA!!!

GRIMAULT'S

INDIAN CIGARETTES

Asthmatic people who suffer from oppression in breathing, stifling sensations, hoarseness, and loss of voice, Nervous coughs, Laryngitis, Colds, with Whooping, Bronchitis, Insomnia, Catarrhal affections, and difficulty in Expectorations, are promptly relieved by these Cigarettes.

G. GRIMAULT & Co., Paris, sold by all Chemists.

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Matico Capsules

AND INJECTION

Known as the Matico Capsules, Grimault's Matico is the most effective remedy in the treatment of Catarrhal and Chronic Discharges. These Capsules, unlike Quinine, do not produce any inconvenience of purgation, nausea, etc.
MATIO INJECTION is used to treat Matico Capsules in Chronic Discharges.

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Intimations.

YOU WILL NOT BE DECEIVED.
That there are cheats and frauds in plenty everybody knows; but it is seldom or never that any large business house is guilty of them, no matter what line of trade it follows. There can be no permanent success of any kind based on dishonesty or deception. There never was, and never will be. The men who try that are simply fools and soon come to grief—as they deserve. Now many persons are, nevertheless, afraid to buy certain advertised articles lest they be humbugged and deluded; especially are they slow to place confidence in published statements of the merits of medicines. The effective remedy known as

WAMPOLE'S PREPARATION

is as safe and genuine an article to purchase as flour, silk or cotton goods from the mills of manufacturers with a world-wide reputation. We could not afford to exaggerate its qualities or misrepresent it in the least; and it is not necessary. It is palatable as honey and contains the nutritive and curative properties of Pure Cod Liver Oil, extracted by us from fresh cod livers, combined with the Compound Syrup of Hypophosphites and the Extracts of Malt and Wild Cherry; and how valuable such a blending of these important medicinal agents must be to plain everybody. It is beyond price in Anemia, Scrofula, Weakness and lack of Nervous Tone, Wasting Diseases, Bronchitis, La Grippe, Lung Troubles and Impurities of the Blood. Science can furnish nothing better—perhaps nothing so good. Dr. W. H. Dail, of Canada, says: "I have used it in my practice and take pleasure in recommending it as a valuable tonic and reconstructive." It is a remedy that can afford to appeal to its record and represents the science and knowledge of bright and aggressive medical investigation. Effective from the first dose. "You cannot be disappointed in it." Like all good things it is imitated. Sold by chemists throughout the world and A. S. Watson & Co., Limited.

CHINESE AMERICAN COMMERCIAL COMPANY.

司公美華
IMPORTERS, EXPORTERS AND MANUFACTURERS.

THE Company's OFFICES are established at Nos. 20 and 21, CONNAUGHT ROAD opposite DOUGLAS PIER.
Hongkong, 1st May, 1903. [5432]

DENTISTRY.

SUI SANG,
Lately Practising with Dr. I. SAKATA,
DENTIST.
No. 20, Connaught Road Central,
Hongkong, 9th February, 1903. [20]

SAVARESSE'S SANDAL CAPSULES

Not made of Gelatine, most efficacious, because absolutely pure English Oil.
Full directions. All Chemists.
Inlet on Savarasse's.

Hongkong, 14th September, 1903. [11132]

Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Tobacco and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 23rd instant, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 23rd instant will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SANDER, WILDER & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 16th September, 1903. [11186]

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per Steamship

"COPTIC" are hereby notified that their Goods are at their risk being discharged into Lighters and/or landed into our Godowns Nos. 1 and 2, at Kennedy Town, (Marine Lot 243), and delivery may be had either from Lighters or from our Godowns upon countersignature of Bills of Lading.

Goods remaining unclaimed after the 23rd instant will be subject to rent.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before the 23rd instant or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

J. STUART THOMSON,
Acting Agent.
Hongkong, 16th September, 1903. [11186]

Consignees.

"BARBER" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "RICHMOND CASTLE,"
FROM NEW YORK.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods have arrived by s.s. "RUBI" from Manila and are being landed at Consignees risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Godown Company, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 21st instant will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 22nd instant, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 21st instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, Agents.

Hongkong, 14th September, 1903. [11186]

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE N.D.L. Steamship

"FREIBURG,"
Captain Prösch, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

This Steamer brings also the Hongkong Cargo from Bremen, Rotterdam and Antwerp transhipped at Singapore ex S.S. "BRIS-GAVIA" Captain Schulte.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon TO-DAY.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 21st instant, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 21st instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 14th September, 1903. [11172]

"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "LENNOX,"
FROM LIVERPOOL AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Godown Company, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 21st instant will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 23rd instant, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 18th instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, Agents.

Hongkong, 14th September, 1903. [11132]

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"SEYDLITZ,"
of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Tobacco and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 6 P.M., TO-DAY.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 23rd instant, will be subject to rent.

All Claims must reach us before the 28th instant, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 16th September, 1903. [6532]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co's Steamship

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.)

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
TOSA MARU* A. Christiansen	VICTORIA, B.C., and SEATTLE. U.S.A. VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, and YOKOHAMA	TUESDAY, 22nd Sept., at 4 P.M.
IDZUMI MARU M. Yagi	BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE and COLOMBO	TUESDAY, 22nd Sept., at 5 P.M.
KANAGAWA MARU J. MacKenzie	KOBE and YOKOHAMA	FRIDAY, 25th Sept., at Daylight.
KAGOSHIMA MARU K. Kori	MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	FRIDAY, 2nd Oct., at Noon.
INABA MARU W. Bainbridge	MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID	SATURDAY, 3rd Oct., at Daylight.
KAGA MARU* Geo. Anderson	VICTORIA, B.C., and SEATTLE. U.S.A. VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	TUESDAY, 6th Oct., at 4 P.M.

* Through Passenger Tickets issued for the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada and Europe, in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY and Atlantic Steamers. Round-the-World Tickets also issued. Between Moji and Kobe, 1st and 2nd Class Through Passengers have the Option of Travelling by the Sanyo Railway.

For further Information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, &c., apply at the Company's Local Branch Office in Prince's Building, 1st Floor, Chater Road.

Hongkong, 10th September, 1903.

T. S. TAKAYANAGI,
Acting Manager.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, PONDICHERY, CALCUTTA, BOMBAY, ADEN, DJIBOUTI, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX; ALSO

PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON TUESDAY, the 22nd September, 1903, at 1 P.M., the Company's Steamship "TONKIN," Captain Schmitz, with Mail, Passengers, Specie and Cargo, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES, via Ports of Call, WITHOUT TRANSHIPMENT.

This Steamer connects at COLOMBO with the Australian Line S.S. *Dumetia* bound for MARSEILLES via BOMBAY and ADEN. Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON only on MONDAY, the 21st September, Specie and Parcels received until 4 P.M. on the same day. No Cargo will be received on board on TUESDAY.

Parcels are not to be sent on board, they must be left at the Agency's Office. Contents and Value of Packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, 9th September, 1903. [10042]

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

BOSTON STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

BOSTON TOW-BOAT COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, VIA SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA, FOR VICTORIA, B.C. AND TACOMA, IN CONNECTION WITH NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

Steamers.	Tons.	Captains.	1903.
Tacoma	2,812	A. Dixon	Sept. 24
Lyra	4,417	F. Williams	Sept. 25
Victoria	3,502	J. Pantan	Oct. 10
Shawmut	9,606	W. M. Smith	Nov. 11

Steamers marked (*) have no passenger accommodation.

The attention of passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this line to the Pacific Coast and to the Interior and Eastern Cities of the United States and to Europe.

Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Ports and to the Principal Cities in the United States and Canada.

For further Information as to Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, General Agents.

Hongkong, 16th September, 1903. [8742]

Hotel.

KING EDWARD HOTEL.

A HIGH CLASS PRIVATE HOTEL.

LADIES' AFTERNOON TEA ROOMS.

PRIVATE BAR AND BILLIARD ROOMS.

Hot and Cold Water throughout.

Electrically Lighted.

Electric Passenger Elevator to each Floor.

Table D' Hôte at Separate Tables.

For Terms, &c., apply to the MANAGER.

Hongkong, 3rd October, 1902. [11184]

Insurance.

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept Fire Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

STEWART & CO.,
Hongkong, 21st May, 1903.



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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, SEPT. 19, 1903.

THE CABINET CRISIS.

With the retirement from the Cabinet of Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, Mr. C. T. Ritchie and Lord George Hamilton the Ministerial crisis, which has been threatening on the political horizon at home, has burst, and the shower of resignations that has fallen is but the expected corollary of the event. After the King's speech from the throne leaders of the opposition declared a conviction that the present Parliament would never meet again and that a dissolution and general election would take place in the autumn. For months past the situation has been one of uncertainty, and as the session advanced and the legislative proposals and tactics of the Government were exposed to view, an impression prevailed that the Cabinet "was riding to a fall." The Education Bill and the Irish Land Bill, of which so much has been heard when Parliament met, have been almost completely set aside by the final and crowning issue of Mr. Chamberlain, whose proposals for the establishment of a system of customs duties on imports which will enable Great Britain to protect her home industries, give preferential trade to her colonies and obtain commercial privileges in other countries by reciprocity treaties, have not been in accord with the views of the Liberal Unionists who, thus far, have undoubtedly scored the victory over the Conservatives. Since he first submitted his plan it has been the chief theme of political discussion in the press and among the people, and so strong and so evident has been the sentiment against any departure from the policy under which Great Britain has gained its wealth and power that, under ordinary circumstances, a fall in the Cabinet was only to be expected. The declaration of the Prime Minister on the question was eagerly awaited, as he had refrained from making a definite statement towards the tariff as one of politics. But while he did not decisively express himself upon the issue at point he said many things which gave ground for the belief that he would favour Mr. Chamberlain's scheme. Thus, in discussing it in Parliament, he said on one occasion: "Many persons have allowed themselves to be led into a belief that this controversy is simply a controversy as to whether the food of the people should be taxed. That is not the controversy. There is no logical or substantial reason I know of why a policy, if it be wise and if it be practicable in other ways, should not be carried out without increasing the cost of living to the poorer classes of the country." On another occasion he showed that he was much influenced by Mr. Chamberlain's argument for a preferential tariff as a means of conserving the empire, for he said: "There is a side to this controversy which is beyond mere political economy and the wisdom to be derived from scientific text books. That question is the question of closer Imperial unity. * * * It is an idea very alien to the palmy days of free trade. Mr. Cobden had, I believe, little regard for the colonies. Mr. Bright said it did not matter to us to whom India belonged. We have passed beyond that. We have passed beyond it as political economists: we have passed beyond it as patriots." As a consequence Mr. Balfour had in his Cabinet, along with Mr. Chamberlain, several men who were in strong opposition to him, and he frankly admitted the differences of opinion, but insisted that such differences were admissible and inevitable, and that as long as the Cabinet acted in harmony all essential unity would be preserved. With the issue of his pamphlet on Insular Free Trade, which most of the papers considered exhibited his commitment to retaliation against hostile free trade, came a definite clearing in the political atmosphere. It was predicted that the result would be the resignation of the free trade colleagues of Mr. Chamberlain or the Duke of Devonshire, and although the Lord President of the Council has not followed in the lead of the Colonial Secretary, other ministers have resigned despite the assumption that a compromise was arranged at a Cabinet meeting on Monday, which would avert a disruption of the Government. Away from the activity, and unfettered by the pronouncements which may be associated with the voice of the Government, the strong, able and trusted member of the Cabinet, whose resignation is now announced, will find more scope for carrying his policy home to the people of the empire with whom, and for whom, he has all along laboured. The question, which he raised, must continue to grow in interest, and will lose none of its force merely because he feels he cannot retain a position in a Cabinet which disclaims his pet policy.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

OVER 40 Japanese men-of-war are gathered at Sasebo.

THE Supreme Court long vacation commences on Monday.

SINGAPORE has withdrawn the quarantine regulation in force against Hongkong.

SIX persons were killed and six wounded, and 600 houses destroyed in a fire at Hangchow.

TIENTSIN has established medical inspection of incoming steamers at the mouth of the Peiho.

OUR Tientsin correspondent reports the death of Mr. F. W. Newson, which occurred at that city on the 8th inst.

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THE Merchant Shipping Consolidation Ordinance, 1879 has been confirmed, and comes into force on and from to-day.

FROM late issues of the *China Times* we learn that the *Courier de Tientsin* and a motor car were offered at auction at Tientsin on the 7th, but neither was sold.PARTICULARS and conditions of the sale by public auction at the offices of the P.W.D. on 5th prox. of one lot of land, near the Peak Road, are printed in the *Gazette*.

THE students of the Peking University are deserting for fear of being classed as reformers. This is one of the results of the Empress Dowager's ideas of good government.

A SIAMERSE Royal Decree on quarantine, which H.B.M.'s Charge d'Affaires at Bangkok notifies as applicable to all British vessels and British subjects, is printed in the *Gazette*.

Fresh Kodak film, plenty of them, at LeMunyon's, 31, Des Vaux Road.—Adv.

THE *Times*, in its well-known solicitude in the cause of education, has presented the Crown Prince of Japan with a copy of the *Century Dictionary*, in a specially constructed oak case.We learn from the *Peking and Tientsin Times* of the 8th instant that the reports that Mr. Guarnert was to succeed Mr. Wynne in the command of the Tientsin Volunteer Corps were quite erroneous.THE U. S. revenue cruisers *Samur* and *Mindoro*, built by Messrs. S. C. Farnham, Boyd and Co., at their Pontung Works, to the order of the Philippine Civil Government, left Shanghai for Manila on 15th inst.

WE remind readers of the third promenade concert at the Volunteer parade ground at 9 p.m. to-day. Those contributing to the entertainment include Madame Blanche Aral, Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. Macgowan, Messrs. Grace, C. H. Lammer and Mirow. Mr. Geo. Grimble is the conductor.

A PAILIN correspondent writes to the *Tungchik Times*:—A new ruby mine has been discovered 60 sen from Bob Pailin. Mong Moh has got a number of valuable stones out of it. One of them weighing a taung sawing-pai he is said to have sold for 700 ticals, and others he is to send to London to be sold. About thirty Shans have left for the new mine, but there is some difficulty about permits.

Mail your films and Kodak orders to LeMunyon, P. O. B. 368.—Adv.

"I BORROWED the umbrella from the woman, and went to Macao," was the explanation tendered by a fisherman at the Magistracy yesterday when charged with stealing a "gamp" from a native woman. It appears that he paid her a friendly visit and left with the umbrella which he pawned at Macao. He returned a few days later, but was arrested, and when asked by the police what had become of the umbrella said he had it on board his junk. The police accompanied him to the craft, where the coxswain presented them with the captain's umbrella. Fourteen days' hard labour.

THE continuation of the case in which Li Shing, a marine store dealer, was charged and remanded some days ago for being in unlawful possession of 30 fathoms of one-inch short link chain, value about \$200, and two shackles, the property of Messrs. Purnell Lowther & Co. was heard before Mr. Sercombe Smith at the Magistracy yesterday afternoon. Mr. Grist (of Messrs. Wilkinson & Grist) watched the case on behalf of the firm, while Mr. J. Hastings (of Messrs. Deacon & Hastings) appeared for the defendant. Evidence was called and the case was remanded.

"I WENT on-board to untie the rope of our lighter, and not to untie the strings that tied the fowls," was the explanation tendered by a celestial at the Magistracy this morning when charged with boarding the Norwegian steamer *Perita* and stealing three fowls. It appears that the defendant, with another man, went on the vessel about 9.30 last night, and was caught while trying to leave the steamer with the fowls. One of the men escaped by diving overboard, while the defendant, who threw the fowls in the water, was captured by a sailor. This man could not appear to give evidence, as his ship was leaving, so Mr. Sercombe Smith stated that he could not convict defendant for stealing, but for boarding the ship he sentenced him to pay \$10, or fourteen days' hard labour.

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One more chance to buy a Kodak for \$5; a good Kodak. LeMunyon, 31, Des Vaux Road.—Adv.

THE *Kobe Chronicle* thinks that the somnolent Society formed for the prevention of cruelty to animals in Japan ought to wake up, and says it might do worse than carry on a vigorous campaign on the lines adopted at Hongkong.MR. Ide, editor of the *Kita Shina Mainichi Shinbun*, a paper which is to be shortly published in the Japanese Settlement at Tientsin, has been attacked by cholera. This is the first case occurring among the Japanese at Tientsin this year.CAPT. Roberts, who recently took the launch *Reata* to Manila for Messrs. Fenwick and Co., has arrived back in Hongkong and states that when proceeding to the Philippines he experienced typhoon weather, but made the journey in four days and a half.

"PRO BONO PUBLICO" desires to call attention to the conduct of two police constables on the evening of the 17th inst. He writes that while passing Messrs. Jardines' office that evening a Chinese lad, who was selling tea and cakes, seeing the constables approaching, dropped his baskets and took to his heels. He alleges that the constables, instead of catching the boy, kicked the tea-pot to atoms and then scattered the cakes among the ricksha and chair coolies thus depriving a young lad from earning a few cash for his daily bread. He thinks the police would confer a greater boon on the community at large by tracking the "undesirables," who are at present swarming the Colony and committing daring robberies, instead of turning their attention to these trifles.

THE *Kokumin* learns that in July last the Chinese Eastern Railway proposed to connect its line with the Japanese Government, Kiushu and Sanyo-Railways and that those three roads have already decided to accept the proposal. Should the scheme go through (we quote the *Japan Times* translation) the Chinese Eastern Railway would collect, in addition to the present fares from railway and steamship passengers, those paid by intending patrons of the three Japanese lines above mentioned, in return for which it would issue orders for tickets addressed to those railways, which in turn would be exchanged for ordinary tickets for the specified class and distance. Accounts between the four railways would be periodically adjusted by the Japanese companies presenting and cashing the orders at the Nagasaki branch of the Chinese Eastern Railway. The *Kokumin* further learns that, when the proposal is carried out, two big steamships, including the *Siberia*, will be run by the Chinese Eastern Railway between the terminus of its line and Japan.

THE *Asahi* publishes a despatch from North China stating that the Naval authorities at Port Arthur keep the transports and Volunteer Fleet steamers ready for service at a moment's notice, and at night time the mouth of the port is blocked by timbers and chains. The Russian authorities have recently established a coaling station at Haiyuntao in the Yellow Sea and landed a large quantity of coal. The Russians are also building submarine cables to connect the island with a station at the mouth of Daideko (the river on which Ping Yang is situated) and Kyong-an. This appears to us (*Kobe Herald*) to be an important item of intelligence. In the first place the island Haiyuntao is situated in the Yellow Sea about 45 miles from the coast of Liaoting, and therefore quite outside the statutory limit. In the second place if telegraphic communication is established between the three points mentioned, Russia will be in a position to command the entrance to the estuary of the Yalu, so far at least as immediate advice of the movements of hostile vessels in the north-eastern part of the Yellow Sea are concerned. The island referred to, by the way, is close to the scene of the Battle of the Yalu between the Japanese and Chinese Fleets on the 16th September, 1894.

Framing, fancy and artistically done by LeMunyon, 31, Des Vaux Road.—Adv.

PRAYA RECLAMATION SALE.

PARTICULARS and conditions of the sale by public auction, at the offices of the P.W.D. on the 5th prox. of the Praya Reclamation, near the Gas Works on the East side of Whitty Street, Shek Tong Tsui, and registered as marine lot No. 284, have been published. The lot comprises 15,200 square feet, the boundaries and measurements being N. 95 feet, S. 95 feet, E. 160 feet, and W. 160 feet. The land will be held for 75 years, with option of renewal; the annual rent is \$280, and the upset price \$98,800. One of the conditions of sale is that the purchaser shall erect before the expiration of 24 calendar months one or more good and permanent message or tenement, expending thereon a sum of not less than \$25,000 in rateable improvements. A special condition of sale states that the purchaser of the lot shall have the option of acquiring the right of erecting a pier 300' in length by 30' in width opposite Whitty Street on payment of \$15,000 into the Treasury, provided that he takes up this right within six months from the date of sale. The sum mentioned has to be paid within seven days of his taking up the right, and the purchaser will be called upon to enter into the usual form of lease in respect of the pier. The Crown Rent for the pier will be payable from the date of acknowledgment of plan under the Building Ordinance. It will be remembered that at the sale of the Praya Reclamation, opposite the Sailor's Home, in July last, a great amount of interest was exhibited in land circles, and keen and spirited bidding testified to the attractiveness of the site, which is not far distant from the land proposed to be sold next month. The lot realised \$274,000, and had an area of 35,910 square feet.

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JUDGMENT FOR PLAINTIFFS.

At the Supreme Court this morning the Paine Judge, His Honour Mr. A. G. Wise gave judgment in the action brought by Kwong Sui Hing, Kwong Kam Chuen, Lau Chung Ming and Tang Pui Cheung, *vs.* Pui Cheung Tong, trading under the name of Hop Shing Tong, against Kwok Chui Hin, of 18, Connaught Road Central, to recover the sum of \$1,000 due on a promissory note given by the defendant to the plaintiffs, and dated 31st May, 1903.

Mr. M. W. Slade (instructed by Mr. E. J. Grist, of Messrs. Wilkinson & Grist) appeared for the plaintiffs, and the Hon. H. E. Pollock, K.C. (instructed by Mr. G. K. H. Bruton) represented the defendant.

In the course of his observations, his Lordship said the plaintiffs and defendant were partners in Bismarck and Co., a firm carrying on business in Hongkong and Port Arthur. At the end of last year a fire occurred in the premises at Port Arthur and the insurance company or companies paid over \$115,000. The plaintiffs were naturally interested in that sum, and as they knew nothing about the working of the Port Arthur business they made inquiries from defendant as to what had become of the money. Well, they got no satisfactory answer and they could not get any accounts and so some sort of friction arose. Finally, it was arranged that the partnership should be dissolved on the promise that plaintiffs should carry on the Hongkong business and that defendant should take the Port Arthur branch. Then the question arose, as to how much defendant should pay for the Port Arthur business. They could not come to terms and a telegram was sent to the agent at Port Arthur asking him to state the full value of the business there. In due course a telegram returned, stating: "Landed property, (brick kiln) capital, \$10,000, valued at 80 per cent.; capital account for goods, \$15,000, at 70 per cent.; damaged goods, \$9,000, at 50 per cent. After settling off outstanding debts amount on current accounts \$5,600. Total estimated amount in Port Arthur and Dally \$37,000." On the face of that telegram the parties took it that that was the value of the property and further negotiations were made upon it. It was arranged that the defendant should pay \$25,000 for the Port Arthur property. Apparently some \$16,000 was paid in cash, or some other way, and according to plaintiffs the balance was to be paid in promissory notes, one of which was the subject of the action. That was the plaintiffs' story. Now, the defendant stated that he did not sign promissory notes; that he signed documents to the effect that he would pay the Hop Shing Tong the exact amount of \$1000, being capital for goods. He also said that there was a verbal condition that payment was not to be made until the accounts in the Port Arthur business had been inspected. The plaintiffs denied that, and he thought he might as well dispose of the point at once, and say that it was a most dangerous thing to import a verbal agreement into documentary matters upon the unsupported evidence of one party. It was distinctly agreed that the term should be one month in which repayment should be made. The defendant denied that it was on the document that he signed, and stated that it was put in afterwards. It was rather an invidious thing for a European to offer an opinion upon Chinese handwriting, but he had to do it. After examining the characters he was strongly of opinion that the alleged additions were in the same handwriting as the other portion. The only way that he could explain the lightness of the ink in places was that the pen got empty at that particular moment. He would also like to remark that in the early part of the case the documents were described by the defendant in his affidavit as promissory notes, and it was only later on that he found out that they were acknowledgments of indebtedness. There were two reasons why he could not conceive that these should be forgeries. If the same man was going to make additions it seemed to him that he would have been a fool if he did not try to keep the writing closer, and if the time had been altered why was it not made payment on demand instead of a month hence? With regard to the telegram, his opinion was that it was sent with the intention of stating that the assets were worth \$37,000, and he had a strong suspicion that the letter was invented for the purpose of the present case. Under the circumstances it seemed to him that the defendant and he would therefore give judgment for plaintiffs with costs and interest.

MR. POLLOCK.—May I ask your Lordship for stay of execution in this matter. The money is in Court, and I would like to consider the question of appeal.

HIS LORDSHIP.—How long do you want?

MR. SLADE.—There is the question of interest running on all this time.

HIS LORDSHIP.—I will allow a stay for fourteen days. I see what the game is, I've seen it all along, and I have been fighting against it. You want the matter adjourned over the vacation. Every barrister in the place excepting Mr. Slade has tried it. They had Mr. Sharp, then Mr. Morgan Phillips, and now you.

MR. POLLOCK.—By making it fourteen days how can we get his Lordship to appear during the vacation?

HIS LORDSHIP.—You can make a further application to me in the Summary Court.

MR. SLADE.—I would ask that costs be paid in.

HIS LORDSHIP.—You must pay all costs and interest into Court. Unless that is done there won't be any stay.

THE expert of lily bulbs from Japan now forms quite a small trade, and is flourishing. The value of the bulbs exported last year amounted to Y280,000, their principal destination being first England, next Germany, and France. Small quantities go to China and Korea, where they are used for food.

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GOVERNMENT APPOINTMENTS.

It is notified in the *Gazette* that Colonel Louis Faulkner Brown, R.A., as the Senior Military Officer of the time being in command of His Majesty's regular troops in this colony, becomes a member of the Executive and Legislative Councils, on the departure of His Excellency Major-General Sir W. J. Gascoigne, K.C.M.G. The Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. Basil R. H. Taylor, assistant harbour master, to act as harbour master, marine magistrate, emigration and customs officer, registrar of shipping, superintendent of the gunpowder depot, collector of light dues and superintendent of imports and exports on the departure of Commander R. Murray Rumsey, on vacation leave previous to retirement. Provisionally and subject to His Majesty's pleasure, the Hon. J. M. Atkinson, Principal Civil Medical Officer, has been appointed an official member of the Executive Council in place of Commander R. Murray Rumsey and, provisionally and subject to His Majesty's pleasure, Mr. Basil R. H. Taylor, is to be an official member of the Legislative Council, vice Commander R. Murray Rumsey.

CRICKET.

MR. SERCOMBE SMITH'S XI. v. MR. R. HANCOCK'S XI.

In most delightful weather the first practice match of the season was commenced on the Cricket Ground shortly after two o'clock this afternoon. Mr. Hancock's team batted first, and by four o'clock had been dismissed for 105.

Scores are as follows:—
Dixon, b Cooper 1
Lee, c Lambie, b Sercombe Smith 0
Maitland, c H. Hancock, b Smith 0
Dobbin, st Hancock, b Lowe 10
Pearce, b Lowe 18
Davies, R. A., c Lambie, b Lowe 9
Ward, c Cooper, b Lowe 1
Doy, b Lowe 3
Wilson, run out 1
Gray, c Lambie, b Sercombe Smith 1
R. Hancock, (Capt

TELEGRAMS

(Reuter's.)

The Near East.

LONDON, 17th September.
The Daily Chronicle understands that the Government has decided to make representations to Constantinople with a view of ending the massacres in Macedonia. The representations will be supported by the despatch of a British squadron.

Illness of Sir Thomas Lipton.

Sir Thomas Lipton is seriously ill in Chicago with appendicitis.

Bulgaria.

Prince Ferdinand has returned to Sofia.

Fighting Near Aden.

A skirmish between a party of Hampshire and Arabs in the Aden hinterland resulted in 1 Hampshire killed and 4 wounded, and 7 Arabs killed and 14 wounded.

Cabinet Resignations.

Mr. Chamberlain, Mr. Ritchie and Lord George Hamilton have resigned.

Mr Whitaker Wright.

Mr. Whitaker Wright has been committed for trial.

Austria-Hungary.

The Emperor Franz Joseph, who recently visited Buda Pest to endeavour to solve the paralyzing political crisis due to the Hungarians insisting upon the introduction of Hungarian emblems and words of command in the Army, has issued an Army order emphatically refusing to permit any change in the Army.

(N. C. D. News.)

The Latest Russian Proposals.

Peking, 12th September.

The various articles of the latest Russian demand are as follows:—

1. Newchwang, Fenghuangcheng, Shahotsai, and Liangyang shall be evacuated immediately. Kirin, Hungehou, Kunchengziz, Meishatze, and Tachien-shan shall be evacuated in four months' time. N-guta, Ajubo, Tsitsihar, and Hailar shall be evacuated in a year's time.
2. Landing-places and telegraphic communication shall be established on the river Sungari, and guarded by Russian soldiers.
3. Military posts shall be established between Tsitsihar and Blagovestchensk.
4. Manchuria shall never be transferred or leased to any foreign country.
5. The branches of the Russo-Chinese Bank shall be guarded by Chinese troops, whose expenses shall be defrayed by the Bank in question.
6. No duties heavier than those imposed at present shall be imposed on Russian merchandise imported into Manchuria by rail.

Russian officials shall have control of all sanitary matters in Manchuria.

THE WRECKED "OTELIA PEDERSON"

The handsome new four-masted schooner *Otelia Pederson*, which was abandoned last October in Asiatic waters with a cargo of more than 1,000,000 feet of lumber on board, has been burned by the savage inhabitants of the Island of Formosa, who resorted to this method to obtain from the hull the rich harvest of iron and steel which entered into its construction. News of the schooner's fate has been received in San Francisco in a communication to the underwriters from the Japanese Government. It states that 600,000 feet of the vessel's cargo is piled up on the Formosa beach, and unless the insurance people make prompt arrangements for securing it the Japanese Government will take possession. As the location of this salvage is very remote it is more than likely that no effort will be made by the underwriters to recover it.

It will be remembered by readers of the *Telegraph* that the *Otelia Pederson*, bound from the Sound for Hongkong with more than 1,000,000 feet of lumber, had her rudder carried away in a typhoon. The *Pederson* was only about a year old. Her cargo was made up of massive lengths of pine intended for the construction of a new drydock at Hongkong. The disabled vessel was spoken by the United States gunboat *Princeton*, the commander of which offered Captain Hansen all the assistance he might require for the rigging of a jury rudder. The carpenter of the *Princeton* prepared plans for a temporary steering apparatus and from the crew of the gunboat were selected a number of skilled mechanics to carry out the design and put the big schooner in condition to be navigated to port, but a few hundred miles away. The *Otelia Pederson* was in no danger whatever. She was new and light and, loaded with lumber as she was, could hardly sink. She was well manned numerically, and whatever was lacking of mechanical skill in the *Pederson's* personnel was more than up in the assistance offered by the captain of the gunboat. On the bark *Homeward Bound*, which arrived at Frisco recently, a jury rudder was rigged during a gale off Cape Horn, and time and again vessels have entered the *Golden Gate* steered with emergency appliances rigged under difficulties compared with which the plight of the *Otelia Pederson* was but a slight inconvenience.

The derelict *Pederson* was next sighted off the coast of Formosa. A Japanese gunboat was sent after her. The schooner had beached herself on a desolate part of the southeast coast of the island. The commander of the gunboat at the cargo taken ashore, where it still awaits claimant. When the gunboat went away the vessel, which inhabited the island boarded the wreck and finding much precious iron and steel beached there, set fire to the hull. The wood was consumed and we learn from an account that the metal is now in commission for the manufacture of weapons of war.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

At a meeting of the General Committee of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce held in Chamber Room, City Hall, on Tuesday, 8th September, 1903, at 3.45 p.m. Present:—Mr. E. A. Hewett (chairman), Mr. D. R. Law (vice-chairman), Hon. C. W. Dickinson, Messrs. C. Michela, N. A. Siebs, J. R. M. Smith, H. E. To Kins, R. C. Wilcox, A. G. Wood, Hon. H. E. Pollock, K.C. (ex officio) and A. R. Lowe (secretary).

MINUTES.

The minutes of monthly meeting held 11th ultimo were read and confirmed.

NEW REPRESENTATIVE ON LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

On Hon. H. E. Pollock, K.C., taking his seat the chairman said that he had great pleasure in offering the good wishes of the committee on his joining them. Mr. Pollock thanked the chairman for his expression of good will.

NEW MEMBERS.

The secretary reported that since the last meeting Messrs. Lamke & Rogge and E. C. Wilks & Co. had been elected to membership subject to the usual confirmation by the members at the next annual general meeting.

THE GOVERNOR AND THE CHAMBER'S ADDRESS TO SIR ERNEST SATOW.

The chairman said, a copy of this address was sent to H. E. Sir Henry Blake under cover of a letter dated the 20th ultimo, in which it was stated that any help His Excellency could see his way to give, by seizing any opportunity which may occur of effecting a settlement of the matters in dispute on the lines laid down in the address, would be much appreciated by the Chamber, and an answer had been received from the Colonial Secretary, dated 29th ultimo, that H. E. the Governor had spoken to Sir Ernest Satow on many of the subjects mentioned in the address with which the Governor was in entire accord. Reference was made to H. E.'s endeavours ever since he has been in the Colony to the opening of West River and Kongmoon. The letter went on to state that H. E. would always be glad to forward the desires of the Chamber in the interest of British trade in China.

CURRENCY QUESTION.

The chairman stated that as agreed at the last meeting a telegram was sent to the chairman of the Shanghai Chamber (through the courtesy of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.) asking whether the word "absorption" might be substituted for "closing of the Provincial Mints in China." On the receipt of a reply agreeing to the alteration the amended Memorial was signed and sent back to Shanghai under cover of a letter giving the reasons of the committee for desiring the alteration and suggesting that a copy of the Memorial should be supplied direct to each Minister at Peking. The Shanghai Chamber acknowledged the receipt of the signed Memorial on the 2nd inst. and mentioned that it had been sent on to the Tientsin Chamber for signature together with copies for each Member of the Diplomatic Body at Peking.

PROPOSED NEW TAX ON OPIUM AT CANTON.

Read letter from Mr. Townley, H. P. M. Charge d'Affaires at Peking, acknowledging the Chamber's telegram of 20th July and letter of 29th July last, and mentioning that he had been in constant correspondence with the Chinese Government with regard to the imposition of additional taxation on foreign opium, and that he had learnt from H. M. Consul General at Canton that the tax referred to had been suspended.

The chairman said that at the moment there was nothing further to be done with this matter. THE CABLE COMPANIES AND CUSTOMERS' DEPOSITS.

Read correspondence which has passed between certain members and the Chamber, and also between the Chamber and the Cable Companies, the latter having already been circulated amongst the members.

The chairman said that it was understood that the directors had been informed by telegraph of the objections raised and that on the receipt of the correspondence in London a reply would be wired out.

PROHIBITION OF HONGKONG COOLIE IMMIGRATION AT SINGAPORE.

Read the following letter received on the 24th instant:—

Chamber of Commerce, Singapore 15th August 1903

Sir,—I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 30th ultimo on the subject of coolie immigration from Hongkong to this port, and am directed to thank you for the information and suggestions you have been good enough to communicate.

Your suggestions have the attention of my Committee.—Yours faithfully,

ALEX. GUNN, Secretary.

A. R. Lowe, Esq., Secretary, Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, Hongkong.

FRENCH DUTY ON COFFEE.

Read letter, dated 17th August, from the Colonial Secretary enclosing copy of letter dated 23rd June, addressed by H. M.'s Ambassador at Paris to the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs relating to the French duty on coffee in which was stated the reason of the French Government for disavowing the present arrangement. The new duty proposed is 150 francs per 100 kilos instead of 125 francs, and is likely to come into force in 1904.

PRODUCTION OF TEA AND COFFEE IN INDIA.

Statistics relating to the production of tea and coffee in India between 1885 and 1902 were laid on the table. Mr. Pollock asked whether these productions had been tried in the New Territory, and the Secretary stated that an inquiry from Mr. Dunn, the Superintendent of the Botanical and Afforestation Department, had elicited the following notes on the subject: "Ten extensively cultivated by Chinese and abandoned many years ago on account of heavy taxes imposed on it by mandarins. Coffee. Experimentally tried on the Island of Hongkong 10/20 years ago by private European enterprise. Never tried in New Territory. The bushes in the Public Gardens do not flourish properly. Coffee requires a continuous hot, damp climate and deep, rich soil in order to grow properly."

TIENTSIN.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

September 8th.
If Tientsin is not beautiful it spells "life" in its own small way, while even the most beautiful of sequestered sea-side nooks means vegetation. Thus, with only qualified regrets, I turned my back on the fairest of North China resorts and returned to mud flat North yesterday, flatter and muddier by contrast, and the recent rain, but almost "hustling" after the stillness of the countryside. It was rather distressing to see the state of the country in the plains, a much increased area being completely submerged and the crops looking thin and weakly compared with those on the higher land. It is hoped that the rains are now over, as great inconvenience has been experienced here this season through damp compounds and inundated cellars.

Cholera has been rather active among foreigners up here as in Shanghai this year. Our third case within a week ended fatally to-day. The victim was Mr. Frederick Walter Newson, a civil engineer who was, I believe, known in Hongkong in connection with tramways. He was formerly on the railways here. He was taken ill at noon yesterday and died this morning in Victoria Hospital. I hear that another patient who went into the Hospital on Saturday suffering with cholera symptoms has partially recovered and assisted to nurse Mr. Newson. A notification has now been issued that all vessels arriving here are to be inspected. Telegrams from Newchwang to-day report a rather serious state of affairs there. Bubonic plague is said to have made its appearance and eighteen deaths occurred on Sunday. The Russians, for all their vaunted sanitary precautions, on account of which they have ostensibly remained in Newchwang, are altogether failing to take the proper precautions and it is stated that the bodies are being thrown out and left to lie unburied. If this is so the spread of the contagion will be rapid and disastrous. It is not clear from the message whether the Chinese are throwing out the bodies or the Russians, but it is quite clear that the latter are not dealing with the situation properly. If it is genuine plague and really gets a hold in the North it may be a very bad look out as there is a long unguarded coast between that port and this along which infection may be landed at many points. Cholera "with boils" is reported to-day at Peitang near Taku, which sounds very like plague, as cholera has no swelling. The weather is beautiful here now and it seems hard to associate it with sickness and death, but September is unfortunately always our unlucky month when dysentery and other deadly ills hold high level.

The Board of Commerce is definitely announced by Edict to be really starting at last, and Prince Tsai Chen is appointed President with Wu Ting-fan as Vice-President, and Chen Po, Governor of Peking to assist him. What the Board is supposed to or really will do, is another matter. It is difficult to imagine it doing anything more than make positions for a certain number of hangers-on and being a new excuse to get money out of the provinces. There have been some affrays in Peking of late among the troops stationed there, an accidental trouble arising between the French and Americans over a ricksha dispute which was misunderstood and led to the one nationality interfering with the other and coming to blows without hardly realizing what they were fighting about. The French being armed were of course wholly to blame, and they inflicted many serious wounds on the Americans who had nothing but their fists to defend themselves. The affair has caused a great deal of feeling among the American troops, and out of a very trifling incident serious results may transpire. The French have promised that justice shall be done.

The British and German soldiers are also reported to have come to grief over something, and two Britishers are in hospital. Education in Peking is almost at a standstill thanks to the death of Shen-Chien and the recent Government attitude. The students are deserting everywhere and there are said to be more teachers now than pupils.

I have just heard that in the recent breakdown on the Siberian railway 20 persons lost their lives, but I have not yet had particulars. The line is not yet open, and though a few solitary passenger have got through it is not either safe or pleasant to travel. Another case of cholera among the *Sheng-kung's* late passengers is just reported.

THE "TONKIN" FIRE.

PARTICULARS OF CLAIM.

The Kawasaki Dockyard Co., Ltd., has sent in the following little bill to the captain and owners of the M.M. s.s. *Tonkin*, lately on fire in Kobe harbour, says an exchange:—

"For successfully rescuing s.s. *Tonkin* and her cargoes from her last disastrous distress caused by fire which broke out on board the steamer on the 6th August, 1903, viz:—

- 1.—To extinguish wholly the fire on board the steamer.
 - 2.—To tow her safely while on fire from her anchorage in the Kobe Harbour.
 - 3.—To ground her on the so-called Mirume beach.
 - 4.—To pump out the water flooded in the steamer after the fire has been put out.
 - 5.—To float the steamer safely from the shore by towing; and lastly
 - 6.—To tow safely the steamer again to Kobe.
- One hundred and seventy thousand yen only. Y170,000.00
- M. Roux, the agent of the Messageries, has, of course, protested against this extortion, and pointed out that the Harbour office, the Water Police, the Kobe Pier Co., and other vessels in port all assisted in putting out the fire.

HAMBURG-AMERICAN LINE

AND THE PACIFIC.

"The Hamburg-American Steamship Company will invade the Pacific Ocean, and, together with the Orient and Wabash Railroads, will encircle the earth," said Vice-President, Mr. Edward Dickinson of the Orient Railroad, returned from London, where he, together with President Stillwell of the Orient line, negotiated a traffic agreement between the railroads and steamship company. "The night before I left London we concluded a contract with the Hamburg-American line for a line of steamers from Port Stillwell to China, via Hawaii and Japan. That company already has steamers plying to all points in the Orient via Suez."

The Hamburg-American line has sold five of its steamers, the *Altenania*, *Rhenania*, *Polynesia*, *Polaria*, and *Althos*, to Glasgow shipbuilders, and has bought four of the largest and newest steamers of the English Gulf line.

MORE REINFORCEMENTS FOR KWANGSI.

A Wuchow dispatch reports that in accordance with the consent of the Throne, asked for and obtained by Viceroy Tsén, of the Two Kwang provinces, H.E. has telegraphed to the Viceroy and Governors of Yunnan, Kweichow, Shansi, Shensi, and Honan, for certain of their best drilled and armed regiments to come down to Kwangsi with all haste to assist in restoring peace in the South. This makes thirteen provinces in all from whence Viceroy Tsén has drawn troops to his standard, namely, Hunan, Hupeh, Kiangsu, Anhui, Kiangsi, Chékkiang, Fukien, Kwangtung and the five provinces above named. The *N.C.D. News* says it should also be remembered that all the regiments asked for by name are the best provided in every way and the best formed, physically, of all the forces of the empire, not even excepting the foreign-modelled troops of Viceroy Yuan Shih-k'ai.

COMMERCIAL.

WEEKLY SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Erich Georg & Co., in their weekly share list, dated to-day, state:—The only excitement of the week has been a sudden-spirit in Whampoa Docks, which however, subsided again quickly, but from the more numerous cash inquiries for investments, resulting in the strengthening of sundry stocks, a better feeling in the market is noticeable, although not sufficiently pronounced to predict a general revival of the share business. The sterling exchange on London for demand is 1s. 9 1/2 d. and the Shanghai rates are 7 1/2 for a T/T, and 7 1/2 for a three days' sight private paper.

Docks.—Whampoa Docks, on the news of a big contract with the Admiralty, jumped from \$303 to \$211 early in the week, with sales at intermediate rates; but this spirit was not sustained and the rate has gradually receded again, the stock closing with sellers at \$207. Shanghai Farthings are quoted from the North at 1s. 13 1/2 d. sellers.

Writing under yesterday's date, Messrs. Benjamin, Kelly and Potts state:—

There has been a slightly better feeling in the market during the period under review, and some stocks have been in good demand at an advance on the previous quotations.

The Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited, has convened its thirtieth ordinary annual meeting for the 8th October. The transfer books will be closed from the 28th instant to 8th proximo, both days inclusive.

Banks.—Further transactions have taken place during the week in Hongkong and Shanghai Banks at \$630. The London quotation is up to \$64 10/16. Nationals have inquiries at \$28.

Marine Insurances.—China Traders have been bought at \$61 and \$60, at which latter rate there are further buyers. Cantons have changed hands at \$181 and more shares are inquired for. Unions are steady at \$500. According to the report of the business of the Society for the year 1902, the net premium collected, after deducting returns and reinsurance, amounts to \$1,024,793 61. After providing for a bonus of 20% on contributions paid in May last, there remains at credit of working account a balance of \$968,815 93. From this sum the directors recommend the payment of a dividend of \$32 per share, and an addition of \$150,000 to the reserve fund which will then stand at \$1,750,000. The balance remaining of \$198,815 93, they propose to carry forward to underwriting, suspense account to close the account for the year 1902. The balance to the credit of 903 Account amounted on the 30th June last to \$1,959,926 54. Yangtze is firmer at \$135.

Fire Insurances.—Hongkong Fires have ruled quiet at \$35. China Fires have strengthened and are in demand at \$88.

Shipping.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboats have been parted with at \$324. Indo-China has considerably improved and are wanted at \$87. Douglas Steamships have advanced to \$371, but at this figure there are sellers. The general managers' report on the twentieth year's working of the company, ended 30th June, 1903, shows a divisible balance, including \$43,170.93 profit on sale of s.s. *Formosa*, of \$112,781.60, and it is proposed to deal with this amount as follows:—To pay a dividend of 6 per cent (\$3 per share) absorbing \$67,000.00, to transfer to reserve fund \$11,000.00 thus making it to \$185,000.00, and to write off the balance of \$11,680.67 from the values of the company's properties on the 30th June last. China and Manilla are weak at \$19. There is no chance to report in Star Ferries, the market closing at the previous quotations of \$27 (old) and \$17 (new). Shell Transports were in good demand and shares changed hands at advancing rates up to \$1 1/4, but have since eased off and now close quiet at \$1 1/4. Taku Tugs are in request in Tientsin at 1s. 40, but there are no shares to be had under 1s. 40. Shanghai Tugs have to

covered and sales at 1s. 60 are reported in the North. An interim dividend of 4 per cent. on ordinary and 3 1/2 per cent. on preference shares is announced.

Refineries.—China Sugars continue on the rise and have been done at \$100 closing with further sellers. Luzons are unchanged at \$10. Mining.—There is absolutely nothing doing locally. Private advices from Singapore state that the R.A. crushing (for 4 weeks) yielded 620 ounces smelted gold from 2,400 tons stone. Shares are on offer at \$33.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have improved a great deal since our last report, and during the interval shares have been taken off the market at various rates and as high as \$210 has been paid. At the close, however, the market seems quieter and shares may probably be obtained at \$207.—The latest telegraphic quotation for Farinams is 1s. 13 1/2. Kowloon Wharfs are still wanted at \$86. There has been a regular boom in Shanghai and Hongkong Wharfs and sales are reported at 1s. 240, being an advance of 20 points on last week's quotation.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings.—Hongkong Lands are quoted at \$153 after sales at \$154. Shanghai Lands are a shade firmer and can be placed at 1s. 100. Hongkong Hotels have again been dealt in at \$145. Humphreys Estate have found buyers at \$107 and are now in request at \$161. China Providents are unaltered at \$93.

Cotton Mills.—With the exception of a small demand for Hongkong Cottons at \$4 1/2 the dividend of 60 cents paid on the 15th instant, all stocks in this section are neglected at the moment. Ewos have declined to 1s. 35 and are offering at the rate.

Cigar Companies.—The only change under this heading is a drop in the price of Sumatras which have been disposed of in the North at 1s. 50.

Miscellaneous.—Green Island Cements are wanted at \$22 and A. S. Watsons are \$14. Electricians are the same as last reported. Watkins have been sold at the improved rate of \$8. Langkats have changed hands at 1s. 265 ex the interim dividend of 1s. 71 paid in Shanghai on the 15th instant.

SISAL HEMP.

Mr. E. H. Thompson, of Progreso (Yucatan), the American Consul, has devoted a long report on the Yucatan fibre variously known as sisal grass, sisal hemp, henequen, or simply "sisal." This fibre makes admirable cordage, and the output is being steadily increased. In the 1901-2 season, 364,000 bales weighing 92,000 tons were produced. A thin, rocky, limestone soil is generally supposed to be the best for the growth of the plant. Experience indicates that the fibre grown upon this class of soil has a percentage of tensile strength greater than that produced on the richer lands, though the last is more flexible and is longer. The cultivation of the plant presents no serious difficulties. The hottest seasons do not affect it, neither do the cold seasons of the kind Yucatan experiences. It is, however, very susceptible to artificial heat, and it is suggested that some planters have taken advantage of this weakness by doctoring young plants required for export. The treatment was to dip the roots in boiling water, or to heat them over a fire. "The effects of this treatment are not perceptible for a time and—adds the Consul—possibly this may make clear to some enthusiastic foreign planter why his 'scions' purchased with so much care and expense, never grew and prospered. Naturally, the Mexicans do not desire to have the plant that is such a valuable product of their country made common."

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON, Telegraphic Transfer	109 1/2
" Bank Bills, on demand	109 15/16
" Credits, 4 months' sight	110 5/16
" Debits 4 months' sight	110 7/16
ON BERLIN, (demand)	M. 1.86 1/2
ON PARIS, Bank Bills, on demand	2 30
" Credits, 4 months' sight	2 31 1/2
ON NEW YORK, Bank Bills, on demand	44 1/2
" Credits, 30 days' sight	44 1/2
ON BOMBAY, Telegraphic Transfer	136
" On demand	136 1/2
ON SHANGHAI, Telegraphic Transfer	72 1/2
" Private 30 days' sight	nom.
ON YOKOHAMA, T.T.	88 1/2
Sovereigns, Bank's Buying Rate	\$11.25
Gold Leaf 100 touch, per tael	69.00
Bar Silver	26 7/16

OPTIUM QUOTATIONS.

To-day's quotations are as follows:—	
MALWA NEW	900/910
" LAST YEAR	900/1,020
" OLDEST	1,010/1,120
PATNA NEW	1 05
" OLD	No Sales
BUNARNS NEW	1 105
" OLD	No Sales
PERSIAN (PAPER)	750/830

To-day's Advertisements.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

PROMENADE CONCERT.

AT HEAD QUARTERS PARADE GROUND, TO-NIGHT.

(SATURDAY), 19th September, 1903, at 8 P.M.

ADMISSION: \$2 and \$1. Naval, Military and Volunteers in Uniform, 50 cents.

TICKETS can be obtained from HEAD QUARTERS and OFFICERS of CORPS.

C. G. PRITCHARD, Major, Adjutant, H.K.V.C.

Hongkong, 19th September, 1903. [1114e]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship

"YUENSANG."

Captain S. J. Payne, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 25th instant, at 4 P.M.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for First class Passengers, and is fitted throughout with Electric Light, and carries a Doctor.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 19th September, 1903. [1113e]

To-day's Advertisements.

FOUND ON THE 18TH SEPTEMBER, 1903.

A NICE, SMALL, WHITE and BLACK PEKING DOG.

The Owner is requested to take it back from F. J. HAVER DREEZE,

"Abergeldie," Plantation Road, Peak Hongkong, 19th September, 1903. [1133e]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR KOBE.

THE Steamship

"GUTHRIE,"

Captain Dabell, will be despatched for the above Port, on MONDAY, the 21st instant, at Noon.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

V.D.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers the steamers of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 19th September, 1903. [1134e]

THE AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

STEAMSHIP SERVICE FOR NEW YORK VIA THE SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"NORDKYN,"

Captain A. Beer, will be despatched as above on or about SATURDAY, the 17th October.

For Freight, &c., apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, 19th September, 1903. [1095e]

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JOINT SERVICES.TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL EUROPEAN,
NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAVA
AND SUMATRA PORTS.FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON AND CONTINENT.
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"PAKLING"	On 23rd September.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"CALCHAS"	On 1st October.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"TANTALUS"	On 7th October.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"ANTENOR"	On 24th October.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"OANFA"	On 31st October.

S.S. "PAKLING" left Singapore on the 17th inst. p.m. and is expected to arrive here on the 23rd inst.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
*GENOA AND LIVERPOOL	"PINGSUEY"	On 21st September.
MARSEILLES, L'DON & A'WERP.	"GLAUCUS"	On 29th September.
MARSEILLES, L'DON & A'WERP.	"AGAMEMNON"	On 13th October.
*LIVERPOOL	"JASON"	On 23rd October.
MARSEILLES, L'DON & A'WERP.	"PAK LING"	On 27th October.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	"CALCHAS"	On 2nd October.
S.S. "MACHAON" left Victoria 2nd inst. for Japan and Hongkong.	"OANFA"	On 2nd November.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 19th September, 1903.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
FOOCHOW	"TIENSIN"	19th September.
NINGPO AND SHANGHAI	"KWEILIN"	21st "
SHANGHAI	"KASHING"	21st "
CHEFOO AND TIENSIN	"SHANGHAI"	22nd "
MANILA	"SUNGLANG"	23rd "
CEBU AND ILOILO	"WUCHANG"	24th "
KOBE	"TAIYUAN"	2nd October.
MANILA	"CHINGTU"	5th "
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNS, VILL, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"CHINGTU"	5th "

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steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivaled table. A duly
qualified Surgeon is carried.

* Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

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Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers
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Light—Perfect Cuisine—Surgeon carried—All the most up-to-
date arrangements for comfort of Passengers.CHINA AND MANILA
STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Dates.
PERLA	1980	J. McGinty	CEBU and ILOILO	THURSDAY, 24th Sept., at 4 P.M.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	MANILA (DIRECT)	SATURDAY, 26th Sept., at 10 A.M.
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	MANILA (DIRECT)	SATURDAY, 3rd Oct., at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 19th September, 1903.

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, VIA SHANGHAI, INLAND
SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA,FOR
PORTLAND, OREGON,

OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH

THE OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION COMPANY.

Steamship	Tons	Captain	To Sail
"INDRAVELLI"	4,899	R. P. Craven	Oct. 14, 1903.
"INDRAPURA"	4,899	A. E. Hollingsworth	Nov. 14
"INDRASAMHA"	5,197	W. E. Craven	Dec. 14

* Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Ports and all Eastern, Canadian and
United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate
with or apply to

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ALLAN CAMERON, General Agent.

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS—SUBJECT TO ALTERATIONS.

Destinations.	Steamers.	Captains.	Sailing Dates.
FOR FOOCHOW*	"ANPING MARU"	J. Goto	TUESDAY, 22nd Sept.
FOR TAMSUI*	"DAIJIN MARU"	T. Ogata	WEDNESDAY, 23rd Sept.
FOR ANPING*	"MAIDZURU MARU"	K. Akashi	SUNDAY, 27th Sept.
FOR TAMSUI*	"DAIGI MARU"	T. W. Groves	TUESDAY, 29th Sept.

* Via SWATOW and AMOY.

The Company's new steamers are specially designed for the coast trade of South China
and Formosa and are fitted with all modern improvements. Excellent accommodation is
provided for 1st class passengers, and a duly qualified doctor is carried.All steamers carry the Imperial Japanese Mail, subject to periodical inspection by the
Government Marine Surveyors, and are registered in the highest class at Lloyd's.Steamers will go alongside the Co.'s Pontoon at the Customs' water-front premises at
Tamsui to land all passengers for Shanghai, through Bills of Lading issued for Cargo to Yangtze
River Ports, as well as for North China Ports, in connection with the NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA's
steamers from Shanghai.For Freight, Passage and further information, apply at the Co.'s Local Branch Office, at
No. 5, Des Vaux Road Central.

Hongkong, 17th September, 1903.

T. ARIMA, Manager.

Shipping—Steamers.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

HONGKONG-MANILA.

REDUCED SALOON PAS-
SAGE MONEY.

SINGLE, \$20. RETURN, \$35.

STEAMERS fitted throughout with Electric
Light, First Class Accommodation. Un-
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Agents.

Hongkong, 8th July, 1903.

STEAM TO CANTON.

THE Splendid New Steel Twin Screw
Steamer"KWONG CHOW,"
1,474 Tons, Captain Walker, leaves HONG-
KONG for CANTON at 8.30 P.M. on SUNDAYS,
TUESDAYS and THURSDAYS, returning
to Hongkong the following days leaving
CANTON at 5 P.M. Unexcelled Accommodation
for First Class Passengers. Ship, lighted
throughout by Electricity.

Passage Fare, \$4 Single Journey.

Meals \$1 each.

The Company's Wharf is West of the Hong-
kong Harbour Master's Office.SHIU ON S.S. CO., LTD.,
No. 3, Queen's Road West.

Hongkong, 30th May, 1903.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "WING CHAI,"
Captain SAMUEL BELL SMITH.DEPARTURES from Hongkong, on Week
Days, at 7.30 A.M., on Excursion Sundays,
at 8.30 A.M., from Macao, Week Days at about
2 P.M. and Sundays about 7.30 P.M.FARE:—(Week Days) 1st Class (including
cabin and servant), \$3; Return Ticket, \$5.
2nd Class, \$1; 3rd Class, 50 cents.On Excursion Sundays, 1st, 2nd, 3rd Class
Single Ticket, \$2; Return Ticket, \$3. Return
Ticket including Tiffin and Dinner either on
Board or at Macao Hotel, \$5. On Sundays,
\$5 extra will be charged for each cabin with
accommodations for two or more passengers.WHARF—At the Western end of Wing Lok
Street.The Steamer runs an Excursion Trip EVERY
SUNDAY. It takes only 3½ hours to reach
Macao.WING ON & CO.,
2nd Floor, No. 16, Victoria Street.

Hongkong, 7th September, 1903.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAITAN"

Captain Beach, will be despatched for the
above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 20th instant,
at 9 A.M.

For Freight or Passage apply to

DOUGLAS, LARSEN & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 19th September, 1903.

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MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

FOR SAIGON.

THE Company's Steamship

"GIRONDE,"
Captain Abel, will be despatched for the
above Port, on or about SATURDAY, the 19th
instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

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THE SHARE MARKET.

STOCKS.	PAID UP VALUE.	LAST DIVIDEND.	TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.			
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.....	\$ 125	{ Div. of £1.10/- @ 1/8 = \$18 for half- y-r ending 30.6.1903	\$63 1/2
National Bank of China, Ltd.....	\$ 8	3/14 = \$1 96/4 for 1902	\$38 b.
Do. Founders.....	\$ 1	None	\$10
MARINE INSURANCES.			
Union In. Society of C'lon, Ltd.	\$ 100	60 per cent = \$30 per share for 1901	\$500
China Traders' In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	16 % = \$4 for year ended 30.4.1902.....	\$60 b.
North China In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	Interim of £1 for 1902.....	1/2 Ls. 22 1/2
Yangtze In. Association, Ltd.	\$ 60	20 % = \$12 for 1901.....	\$15 b.
Canton In. Office, Ltd.	\$ 50	28 % = \$14 per share for 1901	\$18 1/2

FIRE INSURANCES.					
Hongkong Fire In. Co., Ltd.,	\$	50	\$22½ per share for 1901	\$125 s.	
China Fire In. Co., Ltd.,	\$	20	\$6 per share for 1901	\$88 b.	
SHIPPING.					
Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.,	\$	15	\$14 for half-year ending 30.6.1903 ...	\$21 sa.	
Indo-China S. N. Co., Ltd.,	£	10	5% = 10/- per share for 1902.....	\$17 s.	
China & Manila S.S. Co., Ltd.,	£	50	10% = \$5 per share for 1902.....	\$80 a.	
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.,	\$	50	Div. of \$3 for year ended 30.6.1902...	\$37½	
"Star" Ferry Co., Ltd.,	\$	10	\$1.20 = 12% for year ending	\$27	
"Shell" Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.,	£	5	60 cts. = 304/30	\$17	
			3rd Interim of 6d. for 1902	£12/6	

Shanghai Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd.	115.	50	Interim of 2% for 1903	115.	40 b.
Shanghai Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd.	Tls.	50	First year	Tls.	60 sa.
REFINERIES.					
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$	100	Fin. of \$7 making \$12 for 1901	\$100 s.	
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$	100	\$3 per share for 1897	\$10	
Perak Sugar Cultivation Co., Ltd.	Tls.	50	Fin. of 7% for year ending 30.9.02	Tls.	60 sa.
MINING.					
Punjom Mining Co., Ltd.	£	11	None	\$1	
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	Fr.	250	Fin. of Frs. 30 making Fcs. 60 for 1902	\$600 s.	
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	£	18.10.	No. 12 of 1/- per share 28.1.01	\$8 1/2 s.	
Chinese Engineering & Mining Co., Ltd.	£	1	No. 1 of 1/6 per share 10.10.02	Tls.	6,50 sa.
DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.					
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock					

S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co., Ld.	Tls. 100	Final of Tls. 8 making Tls. 15 for year ending 30.4.03	Tls. 137 1/2 a.
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ld.,	\$ 50	Interim of \$2 1/2 for 1903	\$86 b.
New Amoy Dock Co., Ld.,	\$ 6 1/2	\$2 1/2 for 1902	\$37 1/2 b.
Shanghai & Hongkew Wharf & Godown Co., Ld.	Tls. 100	Interim of Tls. 5 for 1903	Tls. 240 sa.
LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.			
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ld.,	\$ 10	8 % = 80 cents per share for 1902	\$9 1/2 sa.
Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ld.,	\$ 100	Interim of \$6 for 1903	\$153
K'loon Land & Building Co., Ld.	\$ 30	\$2.30 per share for 1902	\$35 a.
West Point Building Co., Ld.,	\$ 50	Interim of \$1 1/2 for 1903	\$60 1/2
Hongkong Hotel Co., Ld.,	\$ 50	\$6 for first 1-year 1903	\$145
Oriental Hotel Co., Ld. (Manila)	\$ 50	8 % = \$4 for 1-year ending 31.12.1900	\$57
Astor House Hotel Co., Ld., (Shanghai)	\$ 25	2 1/2 % for year ending 30.6.03	\$28
Hotel des Colonies Co., Ld. (Shanghai)	Tls. 25	6 % for year ending 31.3.03	Tls. 15 sa.
Queen's Hotel (Wei-hai-wei)	Tls. 25	First year	Tls. 25
Humphreys State & Finance Co., Ld.,	\$ 10	9 per cent. for 1902	\$10 1/2 b.
S'hai Land Investment Co., Ld.	Tls. 50	Interim of 6 % for 1903	Tls. 100 b.

COTTON MILLS.			
Hongkong Cotton Spinning & Weaving & Dyeing Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	{ Final of 60 cents, making \$1 for } 1902/1903	\$141 ex d. b.
Ewo Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	Tls. 50	3 % for period ended 31.10.97	Tls. 35 s.
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Interim of 3 % on account of 1898 ...	Tls. 40 s.
Laou-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Interim div. of 4 % on acct. of 1898 ...	Tls. 40 s.
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	Tls. 500	4 % for period ended 31.12.00	Tls. 200
CIGAR AND		TOBACCO COMPANIES.	
Alhambra, Ltd.	\$ 500	25 % for year ending 30.6.1900	\$250 b.
Philippine Tobacco Trust Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	None	\$15 b.
Shang-hai Sumatra Tobacco Co., Ltd.	Tls. 20	Interim of Tls. 3 per share	Tls. 50 ss.
MISCELLANEOUS.			
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	12 % = \$1.20 per share for 1902	\$22 b.
China-Borneo Co., Ltd.	\$ 12	First year	\$91 s.
A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	Interim of 5 % for 1902	\$14 b.
Watkins, Ltd.	\$ 10	\$1 per share for 1903	\$18 s.
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	90 cents for year ending 30.4.1903 ..	\$12
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	\$ 5	45 cents for year ending 30.4.1903 ..	\$7 1/2
Hongkong & China Gas Co., Ltd.	£ 10	10 % div. and 1 % bonus for 1901	\$140 b.
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$10 for 1902	\$145
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	15 per cent = \$3.75 for 1903	\$471
Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	Interim of \$1 for 1903	\$290 s.

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